

# *pEFF: Large-scale Excited Electron Mechanics/Dynamics over LAMMPS*

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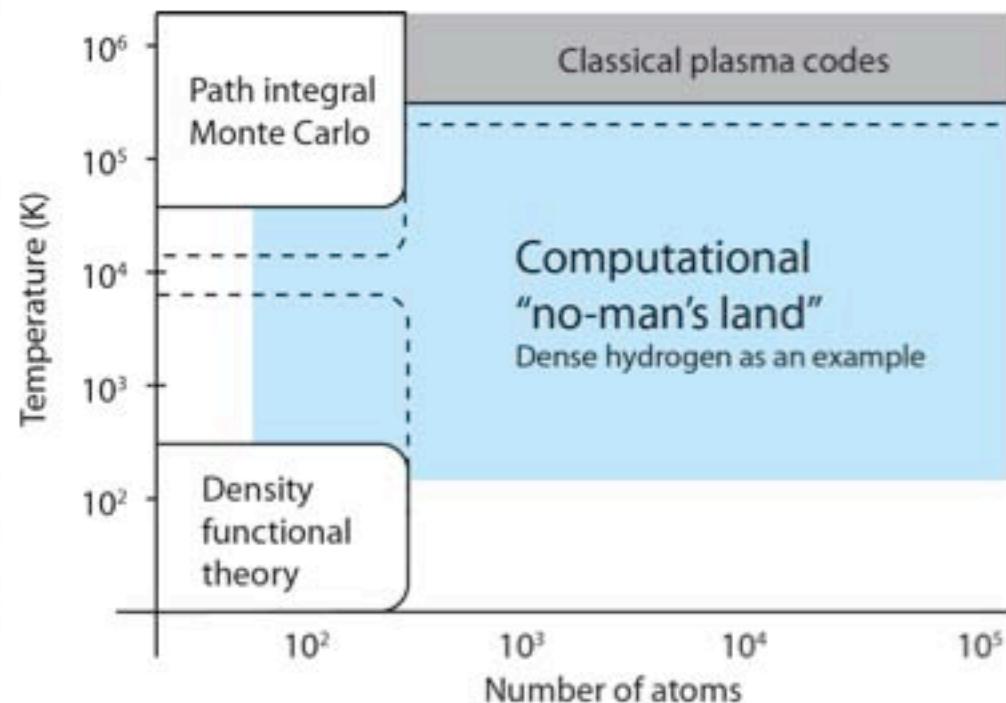
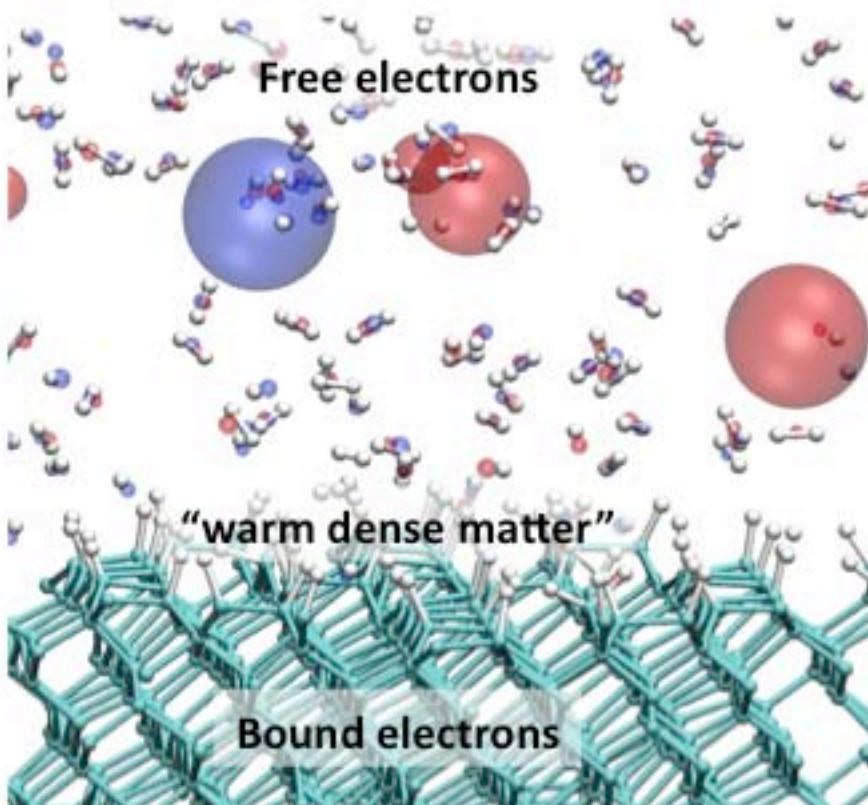
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1. Significance
2. The Electron Force Field method
3. Parallel-EFF (pEFF) on LAMMPS
  - Implementation/extension details and validation
  - Sample Applications
  - Performance
4. Acknowledgements

# OUTLINE

# SIGNIFICANCE

# Interfaces between materials and excited phases



Important to understand but challenging to model

Bridges electronic structure and plasma physics methods

# Significance

- Enables large-scale, long-term molecular simulations with explicit non-adiabatic electronic contributions
- Enables study of challenging problems beyond current QM and classical-MD capabilities, for example,

**Material properties and phenomena under extreme (equilibrium and non-equilibrium) conditions:**

- Electronic effects during hypervelocity shock and interfacial instabilities (RMI, RTI)
- Warm-dense-matter (shock and laser induced plasmas, ionization, emission)
- Molecular, transitional and turbulent flows (reactive flow, radiative heating)
- Semiconductor Electron Etching (versus ion etching)
- Radiation damage, and other systems with a high number of electronically excited states

- Extends original eFF capabilities and leverages from existing/future LAMMPS functionality

Fundamentals on the Electron Force Field

# BACKGROUND

# From Schrödinger's equation to the Electron Force Field Approx.

## 1. FSGO wave-functions used to describe electrons

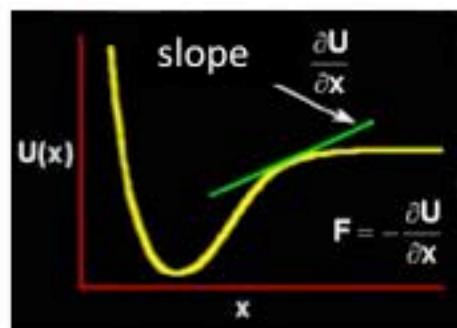
- QM effects: Electron size-dependent KE pressure and spin-dependent Pauli (no explicit anti-symmetrization). FSGO, Frost, J. Chem. Phys. 47 (1967) 3707, 3714.

## 2. Nuclei point charges + electrons ( $r$ and $s$ ) move as classical particles on PES



## 3. Approximate PES with analytical potentials

$$U = E_{KE}(r,s) + E_{NN}(R) + E_{Ne}(R,r,s) + E_{ee}(r,s) + E_{Pauli}(\uparrow\downarrow, S)$$



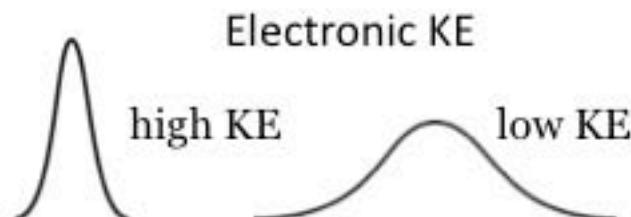
$$\frac{\partial^2(R,r,s)}{\partial r^2} = -M^{-1} \frac{\partial U}{\partial(R,r,s)}$$

TRANSFERABLE, ~AB-INITIO, AND NOT LIMITED TO GROUND STATE

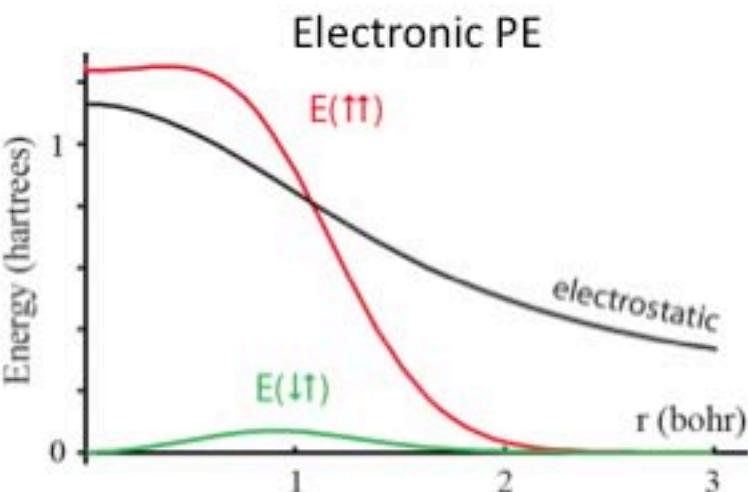
# Pairwise Interactions in eFF

(1) Classical electrostatics plus (2) quantum potentials:

Kinetic energy pressure  
Heisenberg principle



Pauli repulsion  
Spin-dependent, 3 parameters



Similar formulations

Boal and Glosli, **nuclear reactions**  
Phys Rev C **1988** 38(4):1870-1878

Klakow et al, **hydrogen plasma**  
J. Chem. Phys **1994** 101(12):10766-10774

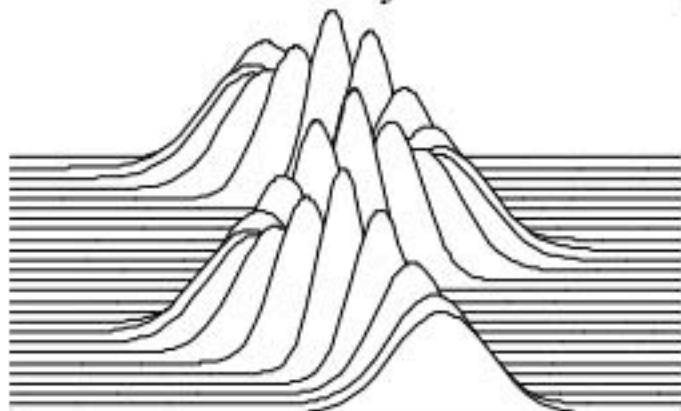
Our expression is the first applicable to a wide range of molecules

# Dynamics of Floating Spherical Gaussian wave packets

Wave packet whose **size and position varies with time**:

$$\Psi(\mathbf{x}) \propto \exp \left[ - \left( \frac{1}{s^2} - \frac{2p_s}{s} \frac{i}{\hbar} \right) (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{r})^2 \right] \cdot \exp \left[ \frac{i}{\hbar} \mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r} \right]$$

Assume a *locally harmonic* potential, stays Gaussian over time:



$\frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} = \frac{\mathbf{p}}{m}$	$\frac{d\mathbf{p}}{dt} = -\nabla E$
$\frac{ds}{dt} = \frac{p_s}{(3/4)m}$	$\frac{dp_s}{dt} = -\frac{\partial E}{\partial s}$

Schrodinger's equation gives simple equations of motion

Heller, **semiclassical dynamics** – J. Chem. Phys **1975** 62(4) 1544-1555

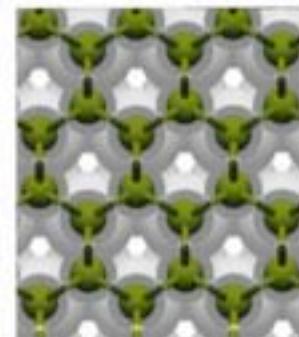
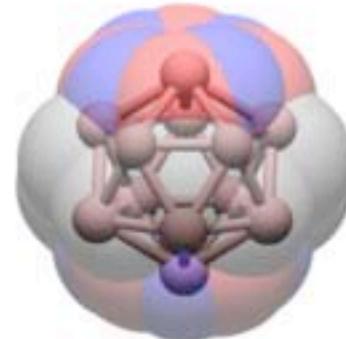
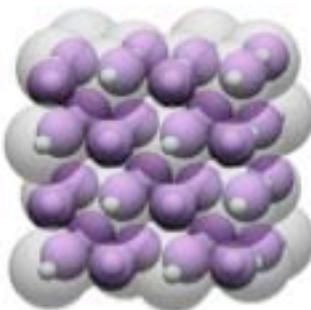
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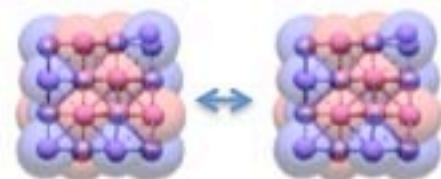
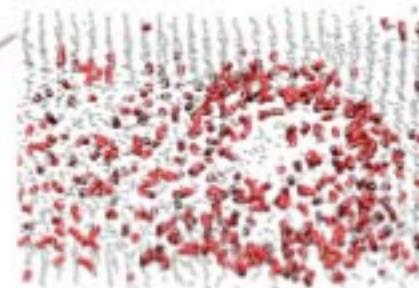
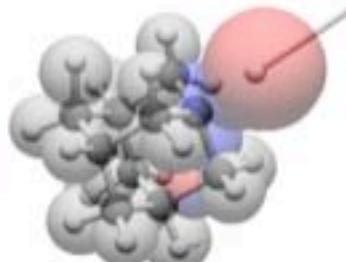
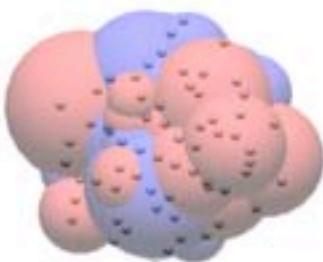
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# eFF Describes Many Materials and Excitations Consistently

**Bonding:** covalent, ionic, multicenter, metallic



**Excitation:** thermal, laser, core ionization, proton impact, hypervelocity impact



Makes it feasible to study large heterogeneous excited systems

Extensions and tools

Energy expressions, temperature, pressure

SPE, Min, NVE, NVT, and NPT dynamics (Applications)

Single and Multiprocessor Performance

# PEFF-LAMMPS

# pEFF LAMMPS

## Extensions and Tools

- **Included as a LAMMPS USER-EFF package:**

- pair\_eff\_cut.cpp/h, atom\_vec\_electron.cpp/h, compute\_ke\_eff.cpp/h, compute\_ke\_atom\_eff.cpp/h, compute\_temp\_eff.cpp/h, fix\_nve\_eff.cpp/h, fix\_nvt\_eff.cpp/h, fix\_npt\_eff.cpp/h, Install.sh
- atom.cpp/h, compute\_ke.cpp, compute\_temp.cpp, dump\_custom.cpp, pair.cpp/h, min.cpp, min\_cg.cpp, verlet.cpp, update.cpp, Makefile

*Note: full atom style implemented as a hybrid pair\_style*

- **Style and syntax of core, installs/uninstalls as user package:**

- make yes/no-user-eff.

- **Includes data/script/post processing tools and examples:**

- Perl scripts to generate LAMMPS input files (e.g. data files for uniform gas, Li-solid, Li-hydride, Be-solid, Diamond, and scripts for MM/MD),
- TCL code and Python scripts to enable VMD visualization of pEFF trajectories,
- cfg2lammps translator, plus nd other analysis tools.

# pEFF LAMMPS

## Extensions and Tools

- Included as a LAMMPS USER-EFF package:
  - fix ID group-ID nve/eff
  - fix ID group-ID nvt/eff Tstart Tstop Tdamp keyword value
  - fix ID group-ID npt/eff Tstart Tstop Tdamp p-style args keyword value
  - compute ID group-ID temp/eff
  - compute ID group-ID ke/eff
  - compute ID group-ID ke/atom/eff
  - units electron
  - atom\_style electron or atom\_style hybrid charge electron
  - pair\_style eff/cut cutoff
  - pair\_coeff I J cutoff
  - dump\_custom supports electron-specific quantities (i.e. radius, rf, vr, etc.)
  - restarts include all electron-specific quantities
  - minimization includes radial changes (extra quantity)

# Example LAMMPS data and input files

```

data.Li-solid
  variable log sname index Li-solid
  ${{sname}}.nvt.log

  16000 atoms
  2 atom types
    units newton
    boundary on
    p p p
    atom_style hybrid charge electron

  Masses
    read_data data.${{sname}}

  1 6.941 pair_style eff/cut 41.76
  2 1.000 pair_coeff **

Atoms
  thermo 100
  thermo_style multi
  neigh_modify one 10000 page 100000
  timestep 0.005
  fix 1 all nvt/eff 300.0 300.0 1.0
  dump 1 all custom 100 ${{sname}}.nvt.lammpstrj id type x y z spin radius
  dump 2 all xyz 100 ${{sname}}.nvt.xyz
  restart ${sname}.npt.restart1 ${sname}.npt.restart2
  run 1000000
  unfix 1
  undump 1
  undump 2

```

# Energy Expressions

$$U = E_{KE}(r, s) + E_{NN}(R) + E_{Ne}(R, r, s) + E_{ee}(r, s) + E_{Pauli}(\uparrow\downarrow, S)$$

$$E_{NN} = \frac{I}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \sum_{i < j} \frac{Z_i Z_j}{R_{ij}}$$

$$E_{Ne} = -\frac{I}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \sum_{i,j} \frac{Z_i}{R_{ij}} \operatorname{Erf}\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}R_{ij}}{s_j}\right)$$

$$E_{ee} = \frac{I}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \sum_{i < j} \frac{1}{r_{ij}} \operatorname{Erf}\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}r_{ij}}{\sqrt{s_i^2 + s_j^2}}\right)$$

$$E_{Pauli} = \sum_{\sigma_i = \sigma_j} E(\uparrow\uparrow) + \sum_{\sigma_i \neq \sigma_j} E(\uparrow\downarrow)$$

$$E_{KE} = \frac{\hbar}{m_e} \sum_i \frac{3}{2} \frac{I}{s_i^2}$$

# Temperature and Pressure

Temperature:

$$T = \frac{2}{3K_B N_{nuc}} \left\langle \sum_i \frac{1}{2} m_i v_i^2 \right\rangle \quad \text{compute temp/eff}$$

Pressure:

$$P = \frac{I}{V} \left[ N_{Nuc} K_B T + \frac{I}{3} \left\langle \sum_i x_i \cdot \frac{\partial E}{\partial x_i} \right\rangle \right]$$

Both T and P include electron dependent contributions (i.e. radius, spin,  $vr$ ,  $rf$ , etc)

## Note:

- pEFF-LAMMPS includes tally functions to handle “flexible” pressure

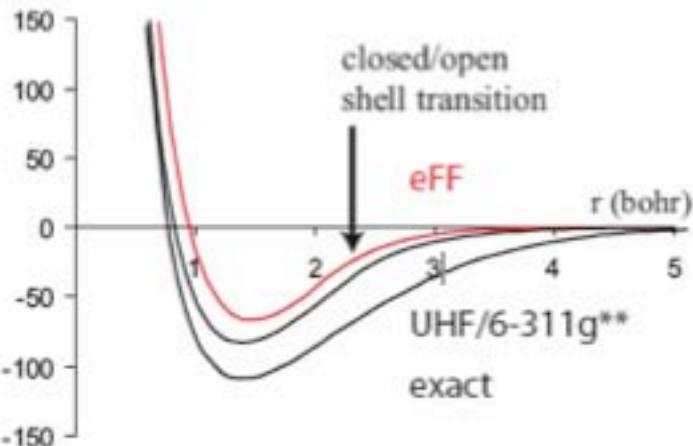
# Energy Minimization

## (H, H<sub>2</sub> structure optimization)

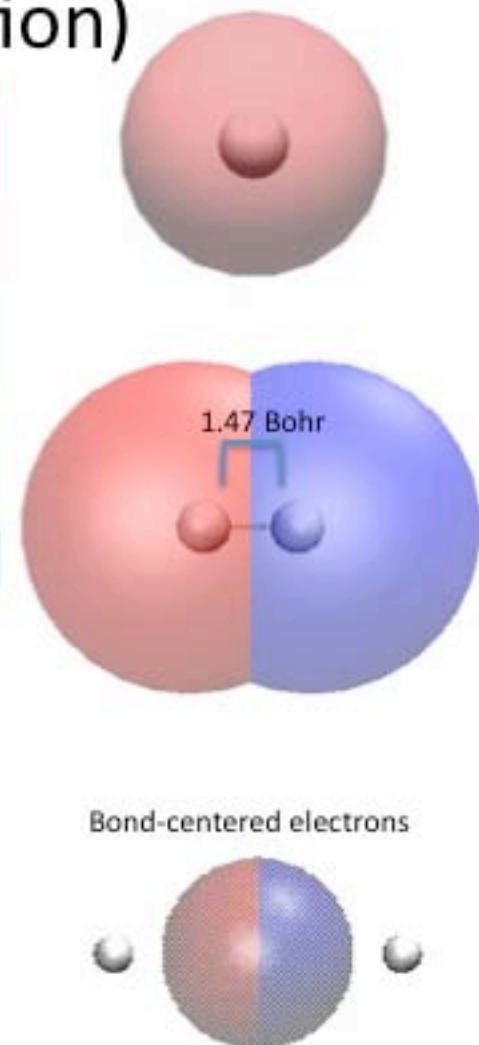
Case	MIN (Hartrees)	Rigid P (GPa)	Flex P (GPa)	Iter/Force (Back)Quad
H atom	-0.424413	0	0	2/5:(18/18)5/12
H molecule	-0.95594	-2.48984	-0.639163	10/21: (15/26)14/27
H bulk	-29.4027	5.80948e10	5.8095e10	12/30: (37/41)19/37

Criteria: 0.01e-5

H bond energy:  $0.95594 - 2(0.424413) = 0.107109 \text{H} = 67 \text{ kcal/mol}$



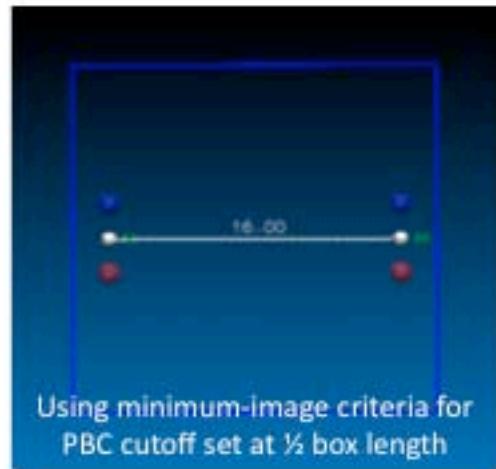
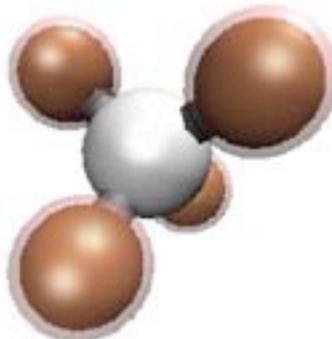
LAMMPS: Required  
hooks to extra ( $r$ )  
quantities



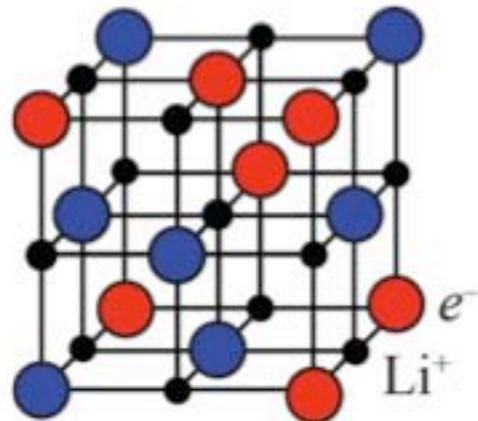
# SPE and Structure Optimization in Hydrocarbons

Case	MIN (Hartrees)	Rigid Press (GPa)	Flex Press (GPa)
CH4 (SPE)	-27.3141	-56.5889	-31.5171
CH4 (MIN)	-34.07446	2.6114e-6	-5.7980e-6
Adamantane (SPE)	-326.0969	341.1104	7.8565e4
Adamantane (MIN)	-329.0982	6.12e-3	6.91e-3

Min Criteria: 0.0 1e-5



# Metal bonds are diffuse interstitial electrons in eFF



Lithium (fcc)  
NaCl-like bonds

$a = 4.42$  ( $4.40$ ) Å  
 $E = 60.3$  ( $37.7$ ) kcal/mol/atom  
 $Y = 12.2$  ( $13.0$ ) GPa



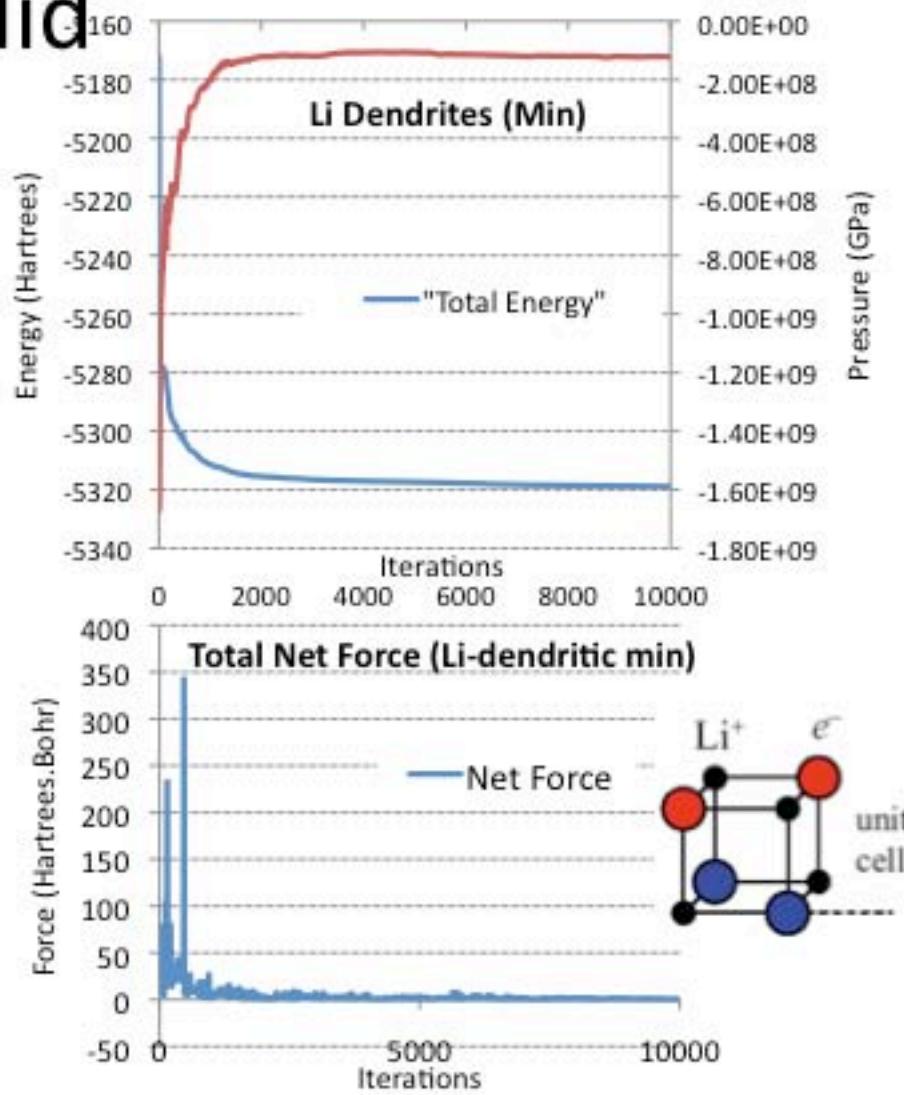
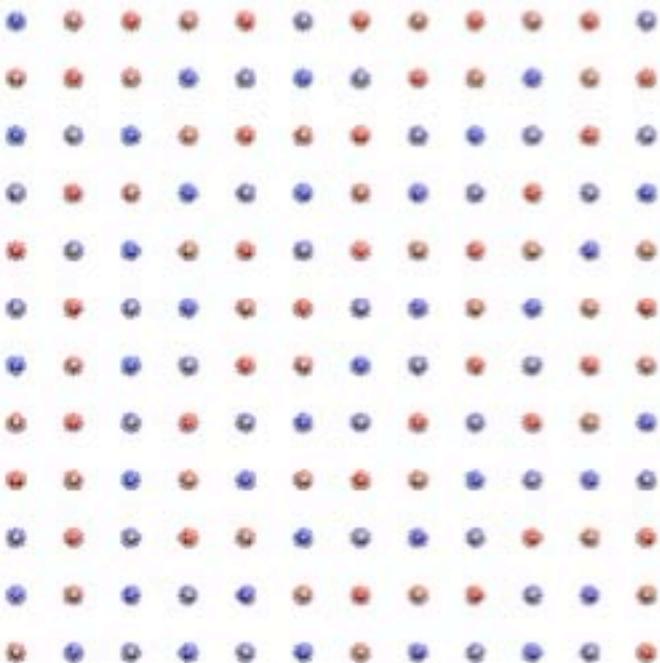
Beryllium (hcp),  
strong layer bonds

$a = 2.43$  ( $2.29$ ) Å  
 $c = 3.72$  ( $3.59$ ) Å  
 $E = 138.4$  ( $76.6$ ) kcal/mol/atom  
 $Y = 122.9$  ( $110\text{--}127$ ) GPa

Bonding too strong, but elastic constants are correct

# Structure Optimization in Expanded Li solid

- Li dendrite formation



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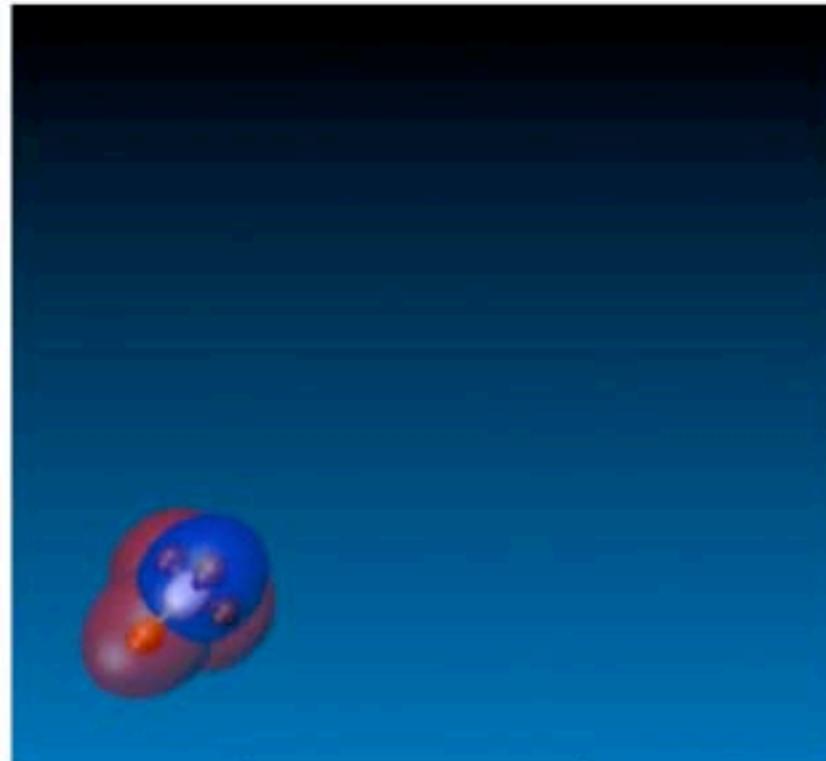
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# Dynamics NVE

## Methane valence electron ionization

Ionizing a valence electron can cause the bond it is participating in to break.

For methane, the energy input is 20 eV.



$\Delta t = 0.005$ , T=9,000K

CH<sub>4</sub> dissociates into CH<sub>3</sub> and H and that after 50 fs these fragments are separated by 8.17 Å.

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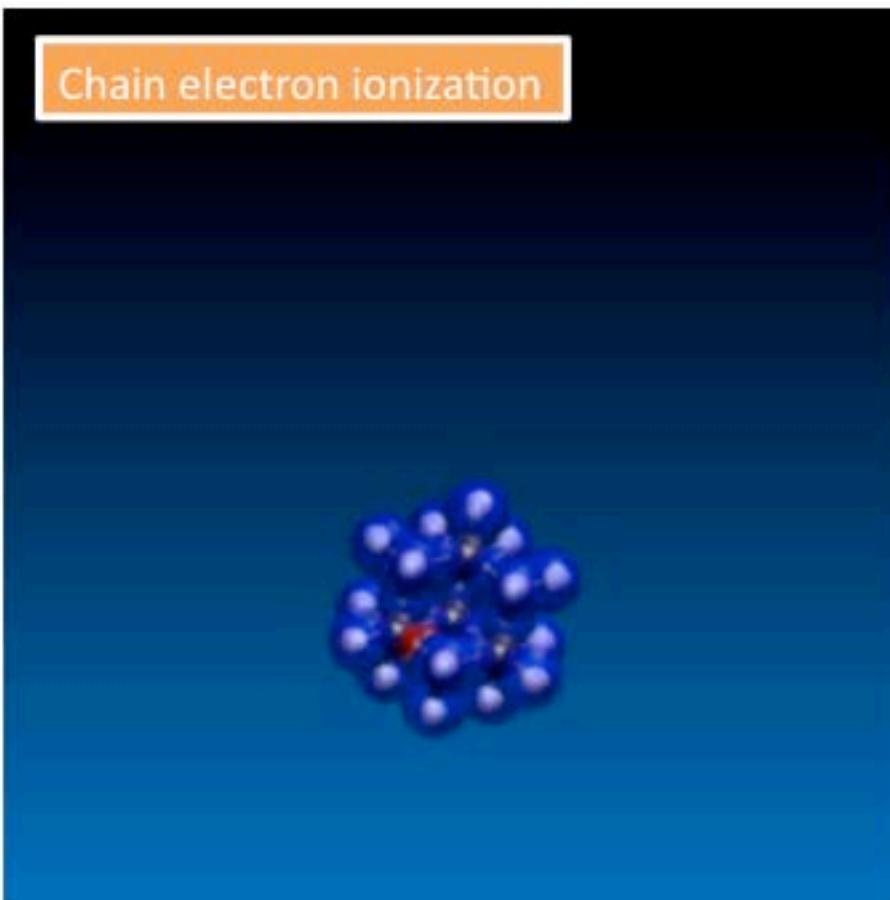
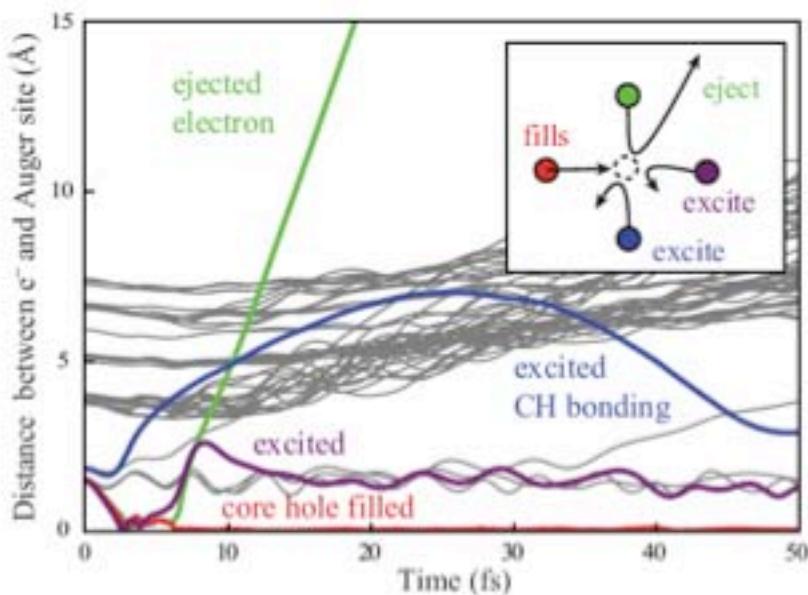
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# Dynamics – NVE

## Core electron-ionization

## Auger dynamics in Adamantane

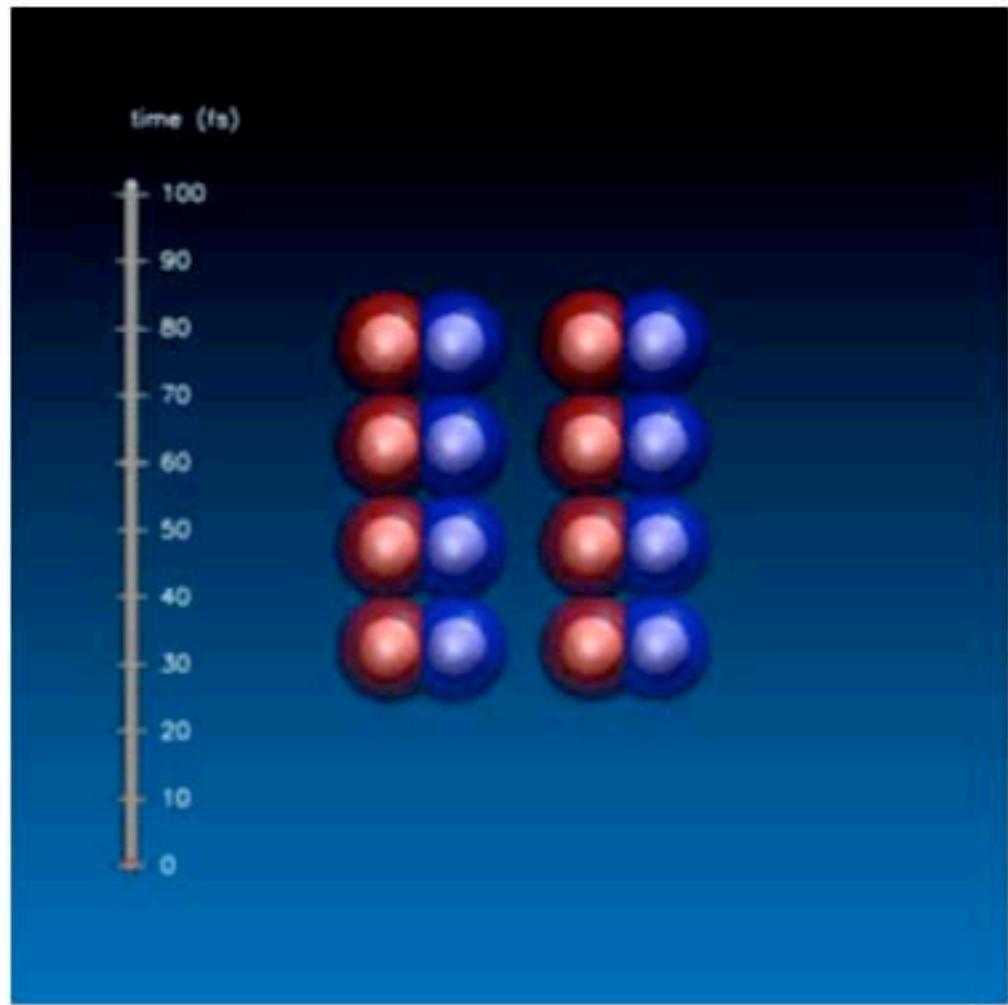
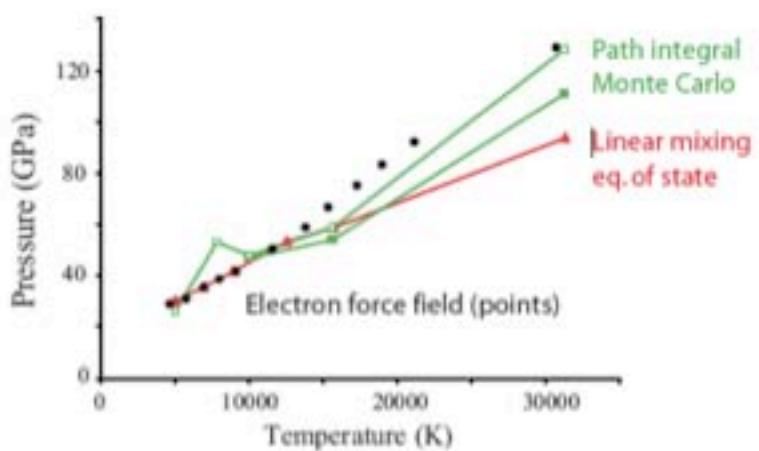
- Larger energy input needed (290eV)
- Additional electrons may be ionized, and several bonds may be broken



# Dynamics - NVE

## Pressure of warm dense hydrogen

- The behavior of H at extreme P and moderate T has relevance to phase partitioning of planetary interiors, as well as in the design of ICF systems.
- EOS under these conditions, as it is sensitive to the electron dynamics of the system



21100 K  
Mostly atoms



Transition  
15400 K

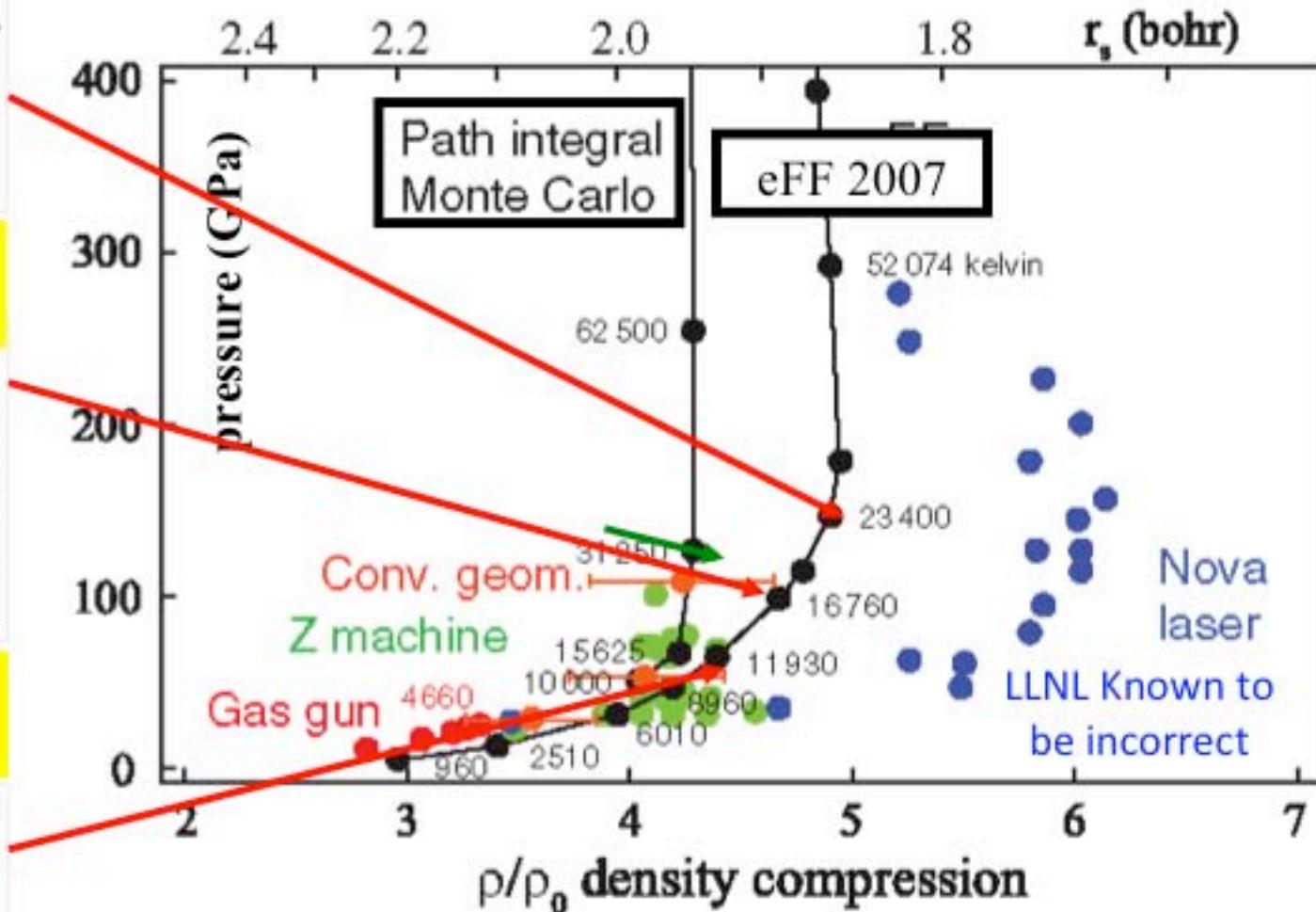


9100 K Mostly  
molecules



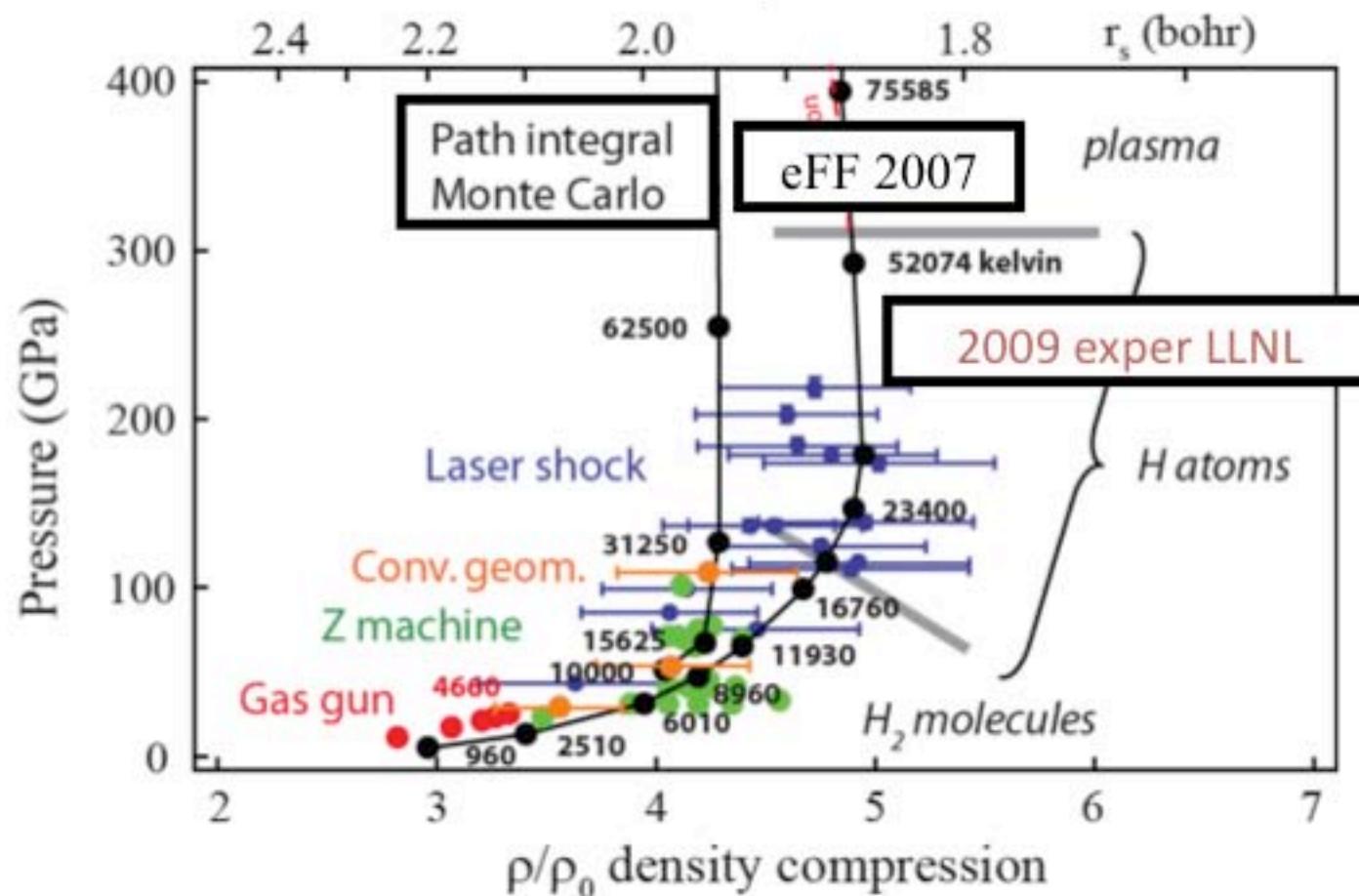
# Dynamics – NVE

## Shock Hugoniot for D<sub>2</sub>



Excited Electron Dynamics Modeling of Warm Dense Matter PRL 99, 185003 (2007) J. Su and WAG

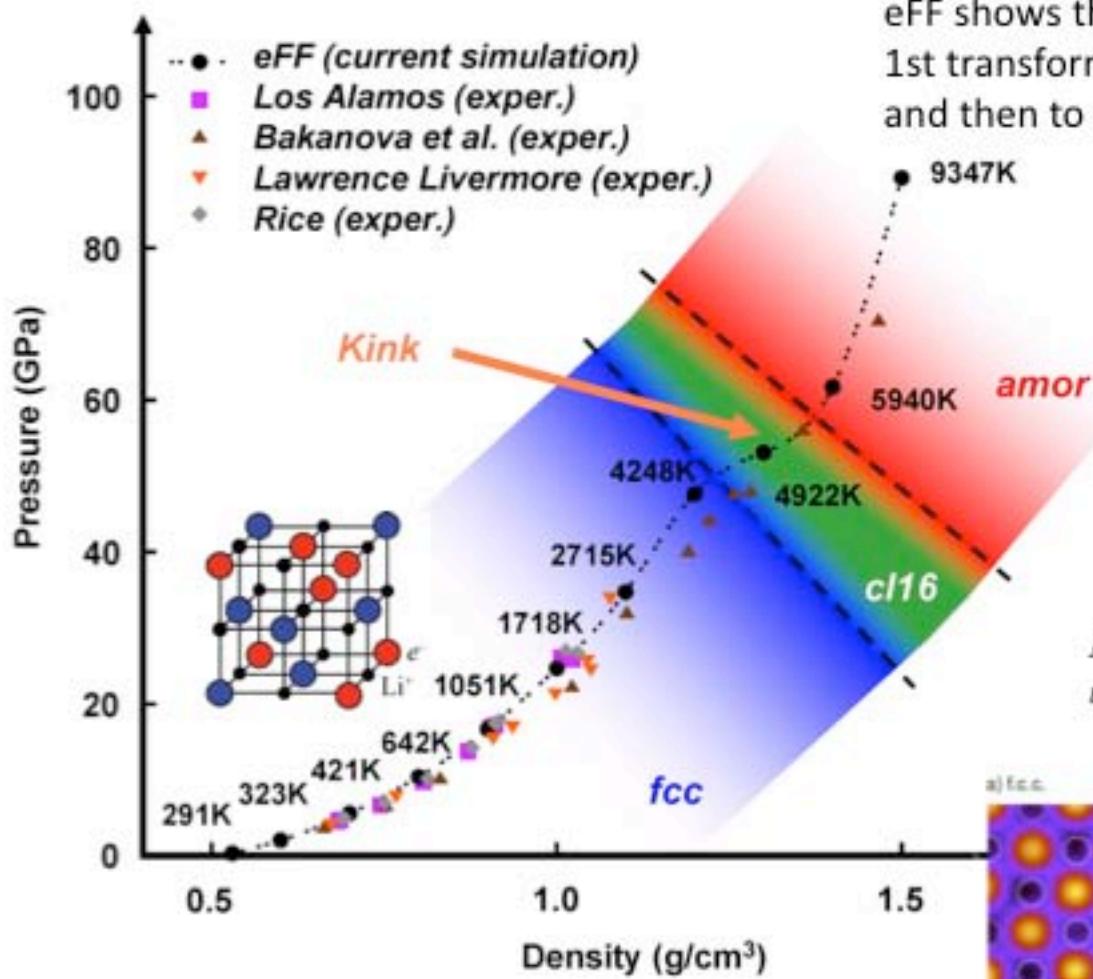
# 2009 LLNL experiments confirm 2007 eFF predictions



Laser-driven single shock compression of fluid deuterium from 45 to 220 Gpa D. G. Hicks, T. R. Boehly, P. M. Celliers, J. H. Eggert, S. J. Moon, D. D. Meyerhofer, and G. W. Collins; PHYSICAL REVIEW B 79, 014112 2009

# Dynamics – NVE

## eFF Shock Hugoniot for Li



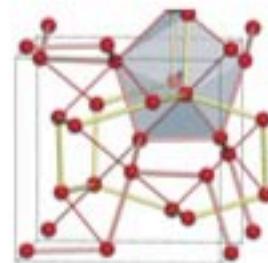
eFF shows that the kink is due to:  
1st transformation from fcc to c116  
and then to amorphous structure

9347K

5940K

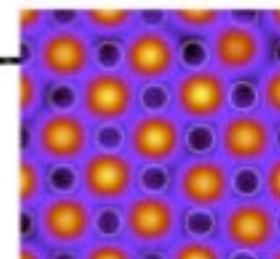
c116

amor

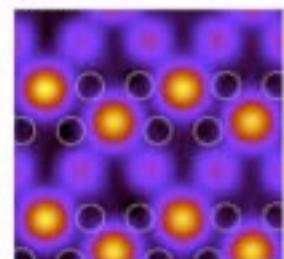


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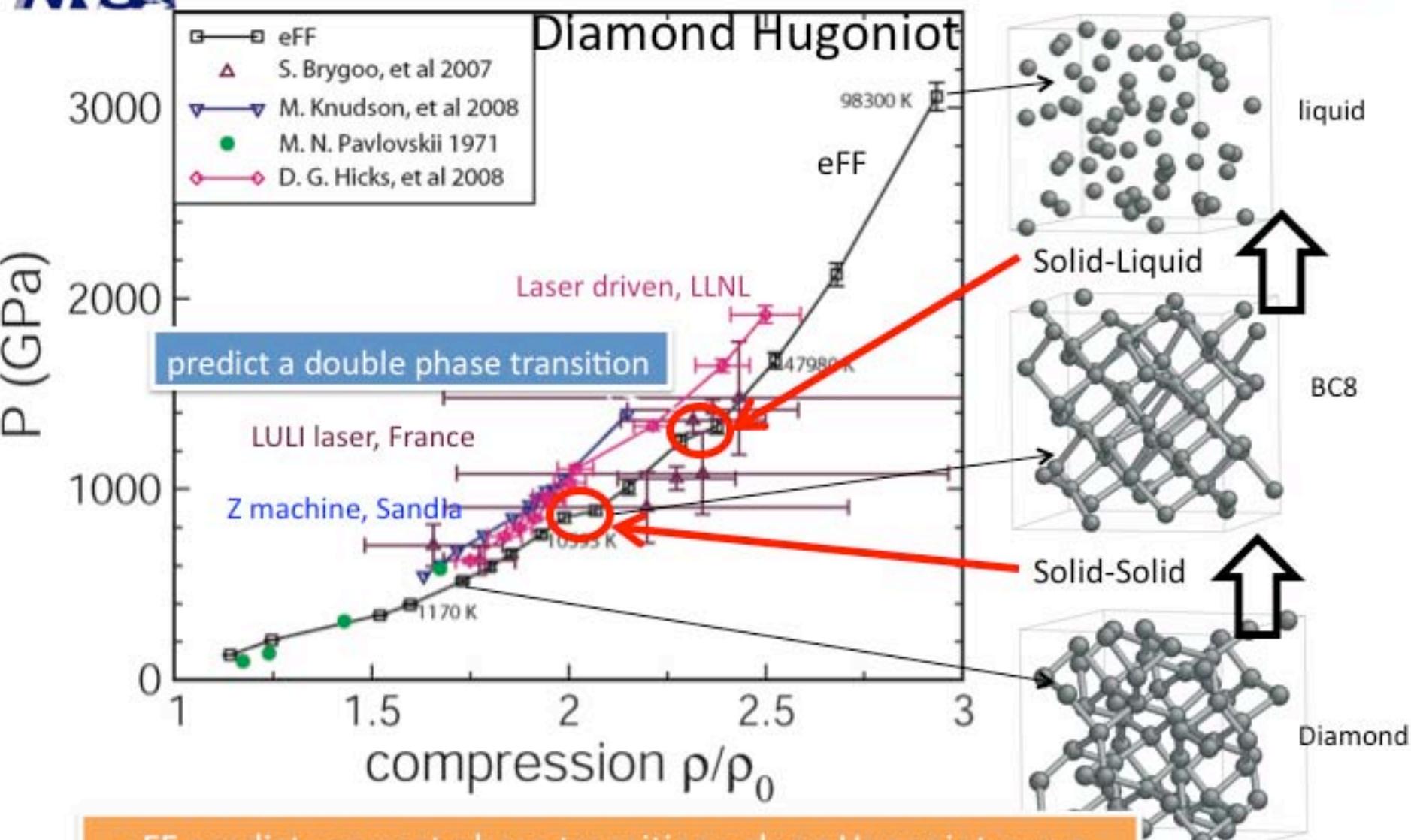
a) fcc



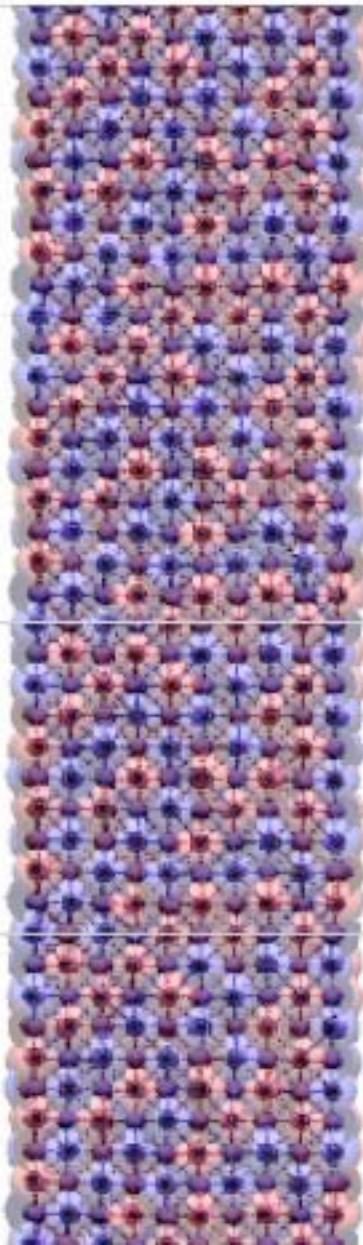
b) c116



## Dynamics – NVE



2 km/sec,  
welding



5 km/sec,  
melting



10 km/sec,  
fluid layer

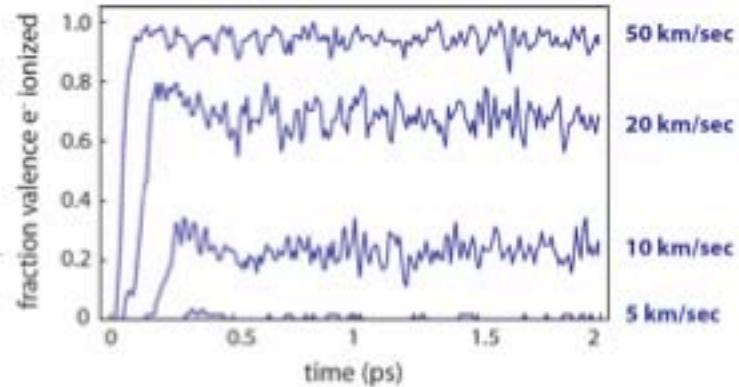


20 km/sec,  
plasma



# Dynamics – NVE

Li-Li hypervelocity  
impact: eFF1



Progression from  
solid to liquid to  
plasma as impact  
velocity increases

# Dynamics – NVE

## Li-Li hypervelocity impact

LANL-Lobo

- Shock simulation (Li-Li impact at 15Km/sec)
  - Plasma characterization

97,200 particles

- 24,300 nuclei
- 72,900 electrons

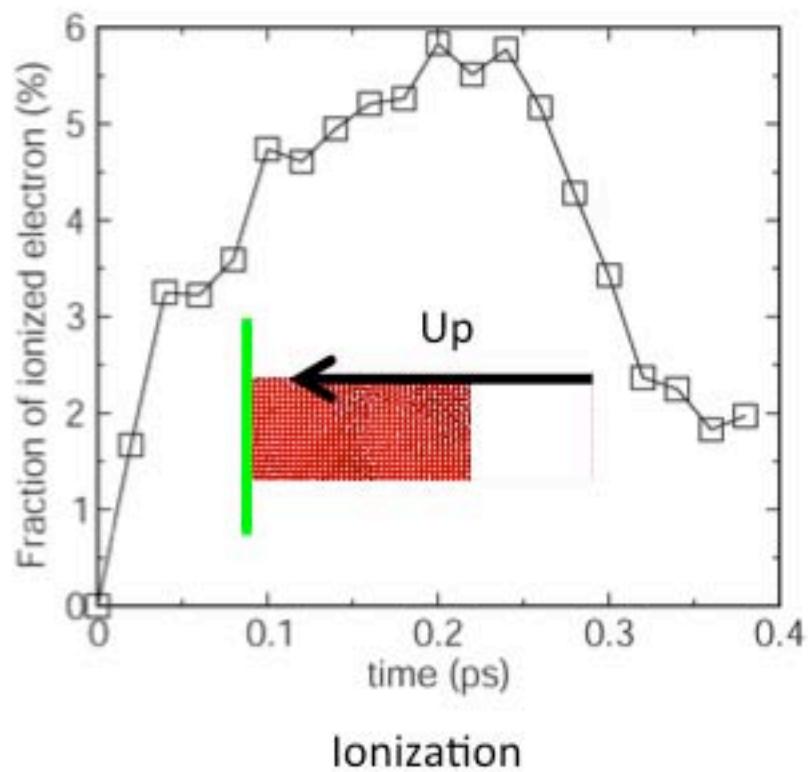
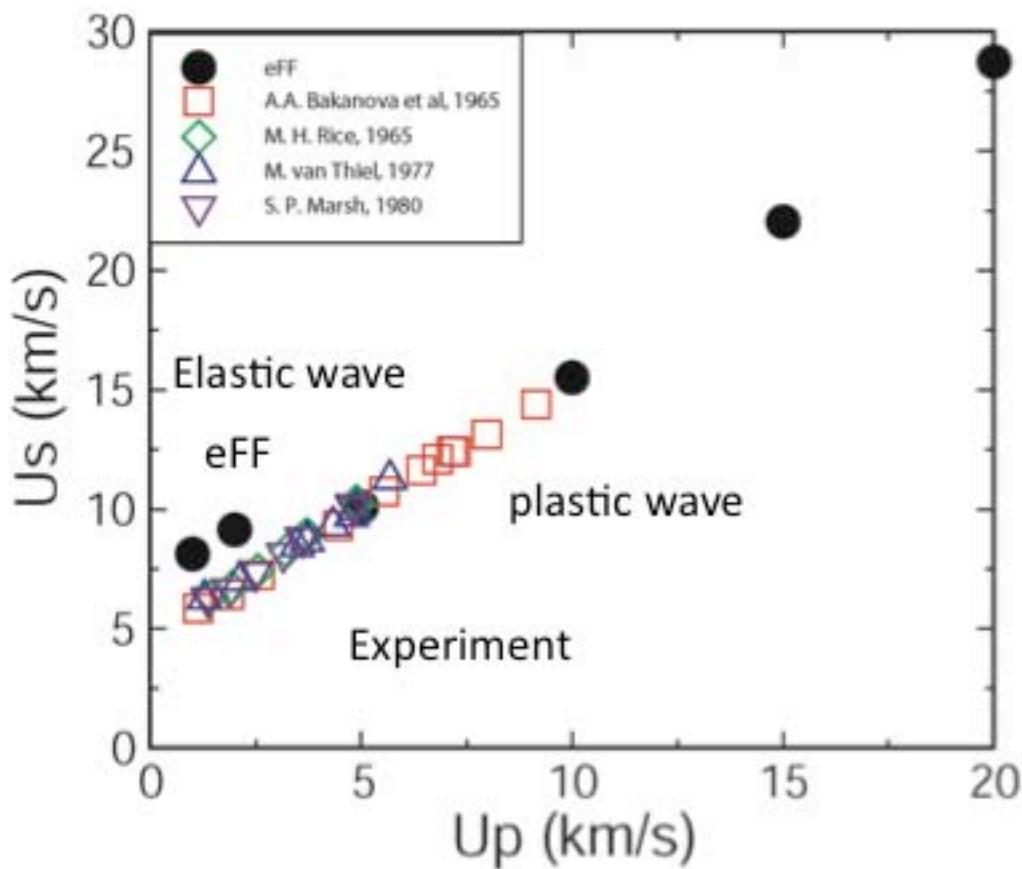


# Dynamics – NVE

## Li-wall hypervelocity impact

LANL-Lobo

- Shock simulation (Li-wall impact: 2-20Km/sec)



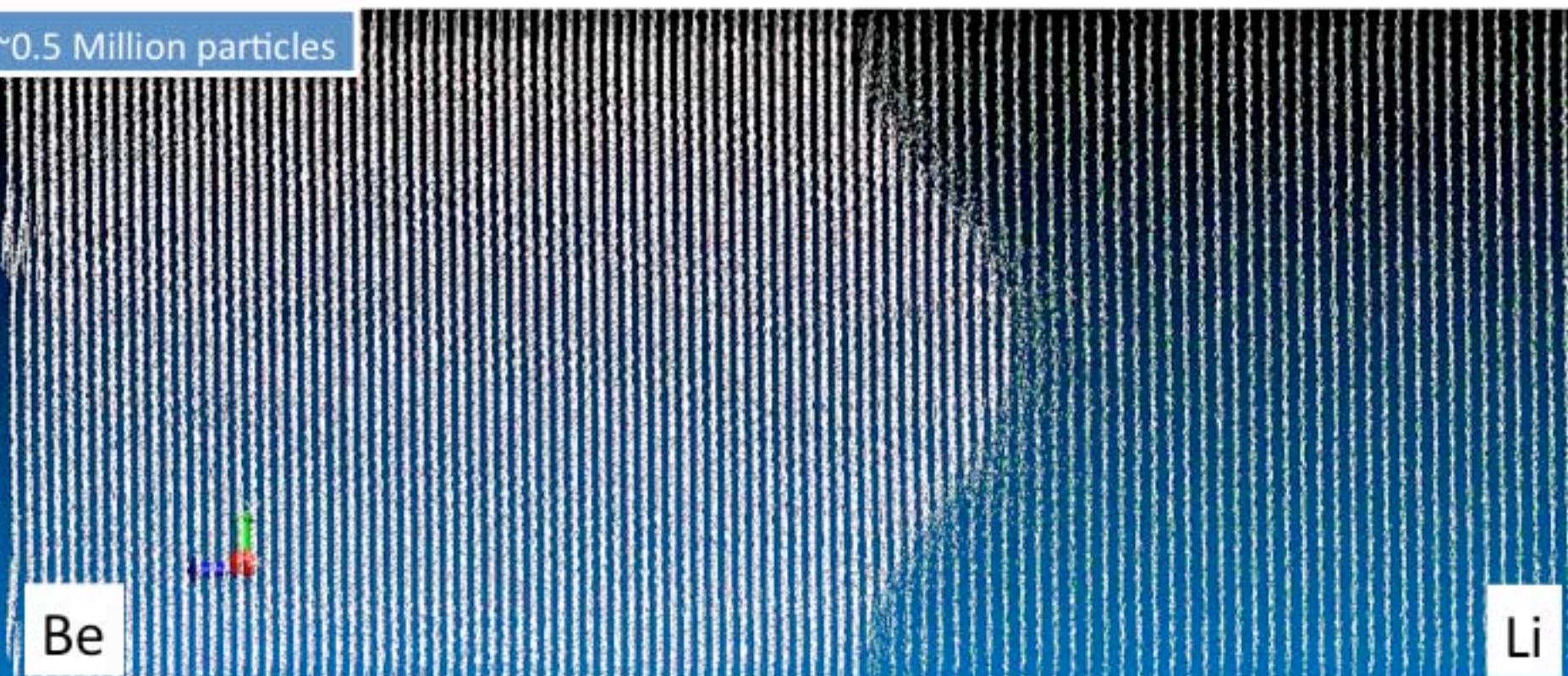
# Dynamics - NVE

## Li-Be Interfacial Instabilities (RMI/RTI)

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- Electronic Effects on Interfacial Instabilities

~0.5 Million particles

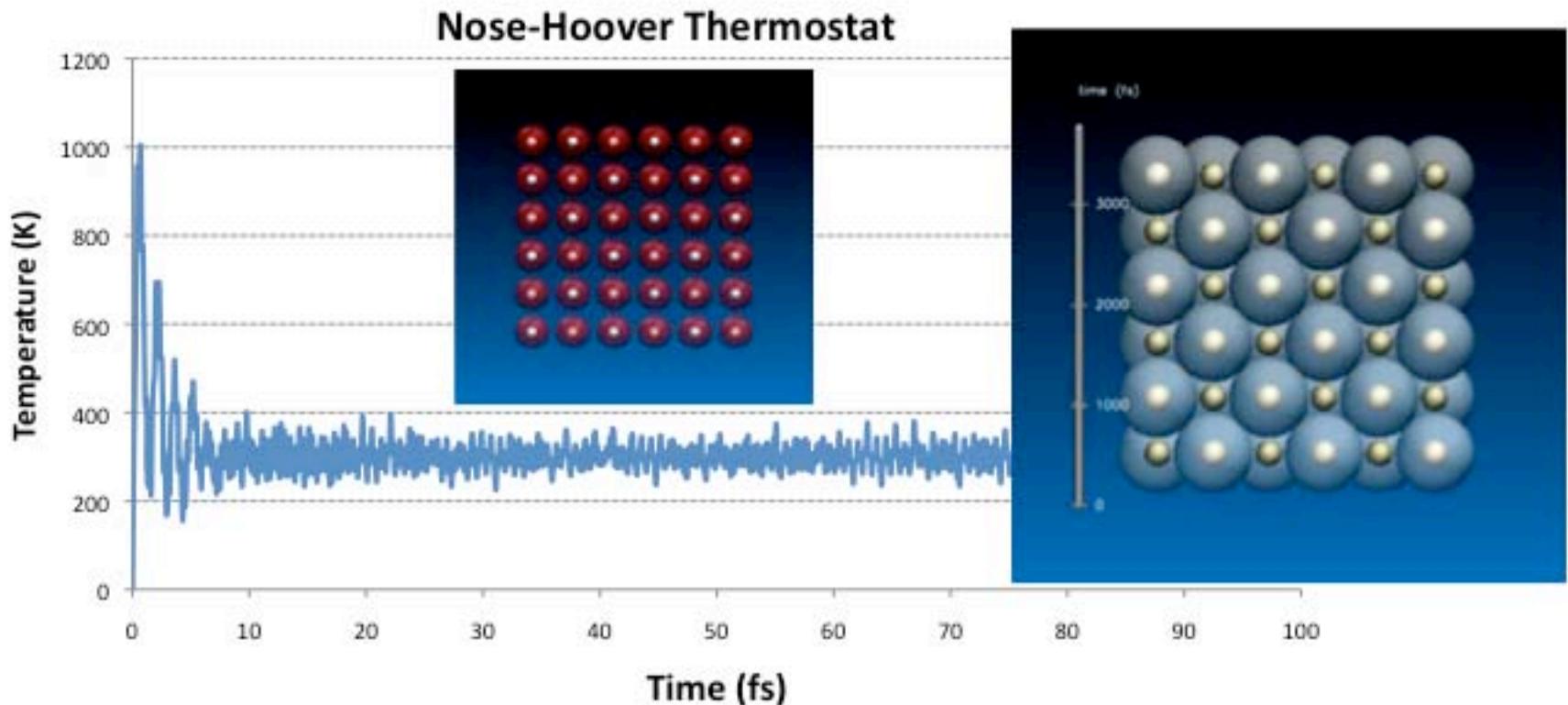


Be

Li

# Dynamics – NVT

Bulk Li @ 300K and ramped 0-10,000K

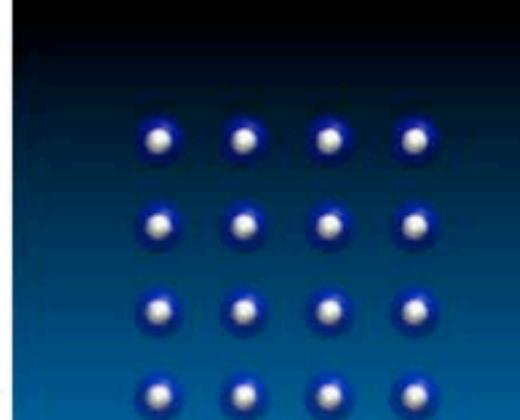


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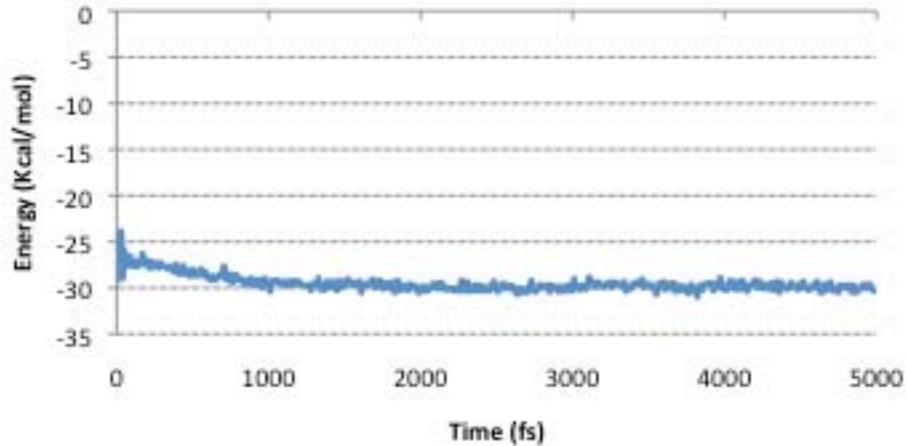
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# Dynamics – NPT

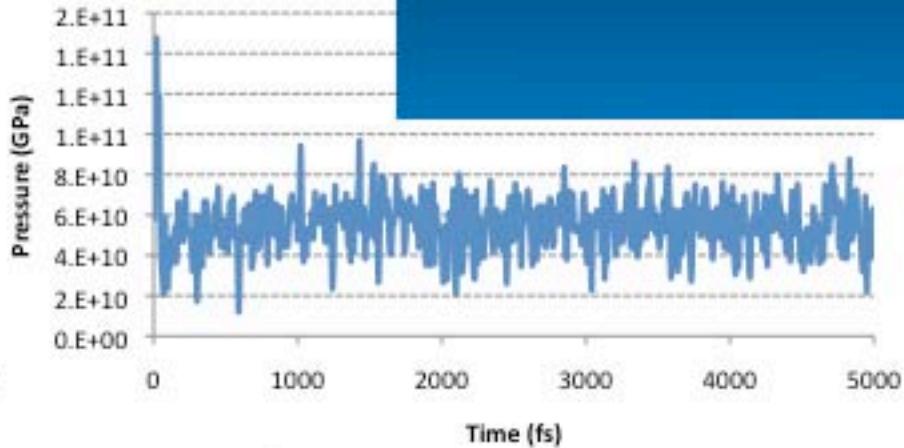
Dense H -> 5 ps @15,000K, @5.5GPa



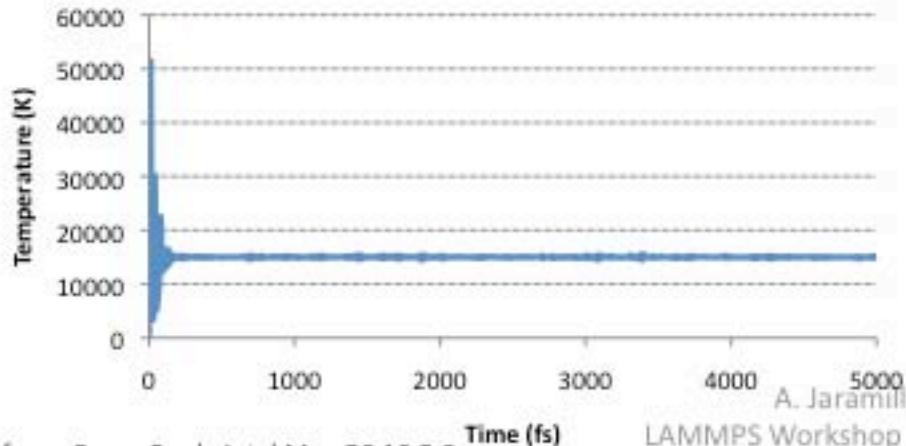
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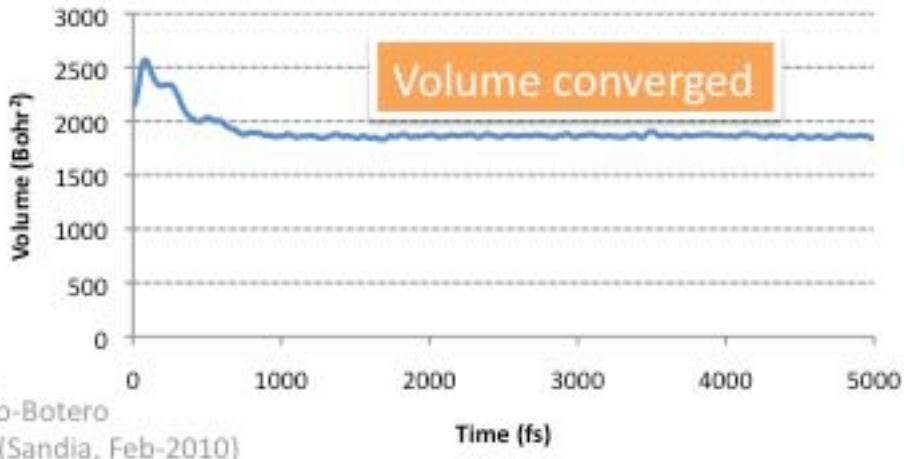
**Pressure**



**Temperature**



**Volume**



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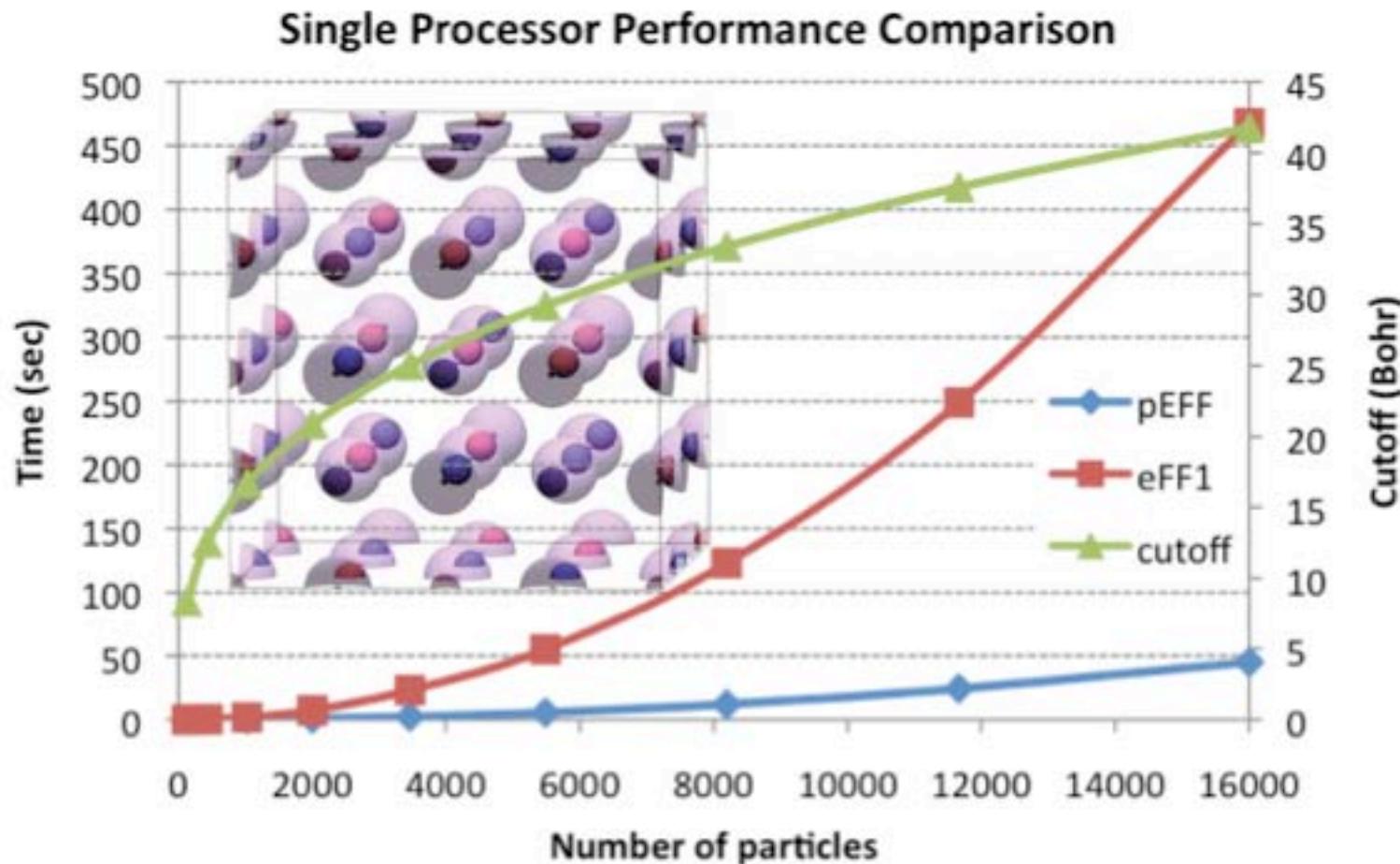
Single Processor

Multiple Processors

# PERFORMANCE

# Performance

eFF1 versus pEFF-LAMMPS (single processor, Li solid)

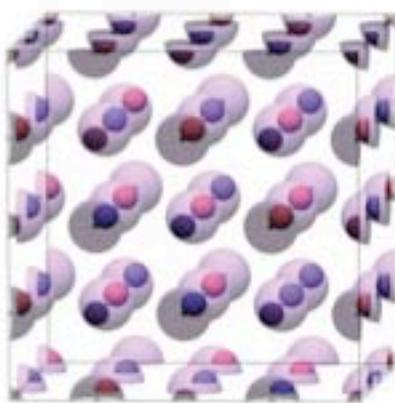


# Performance

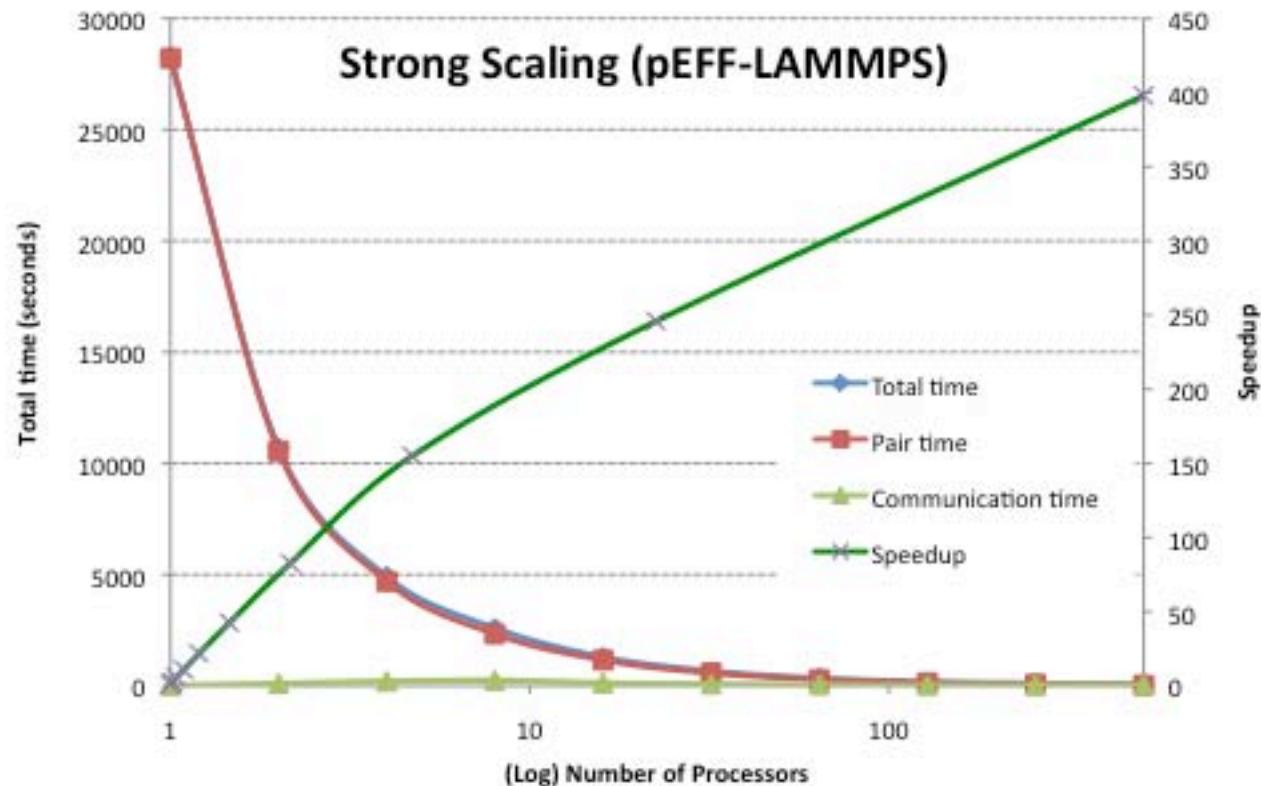
## (Strong Scaling)

Over 1K steps of NVE

32,000 particles  
 • 8,000 nuclei  
 • 24,000 electrons



System: Li bulk



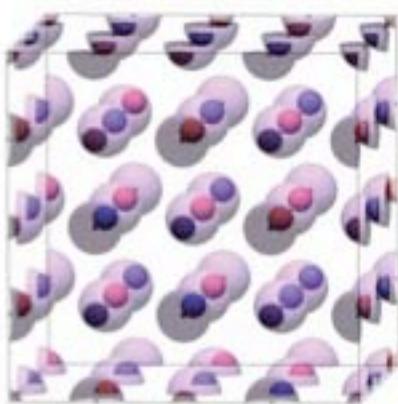
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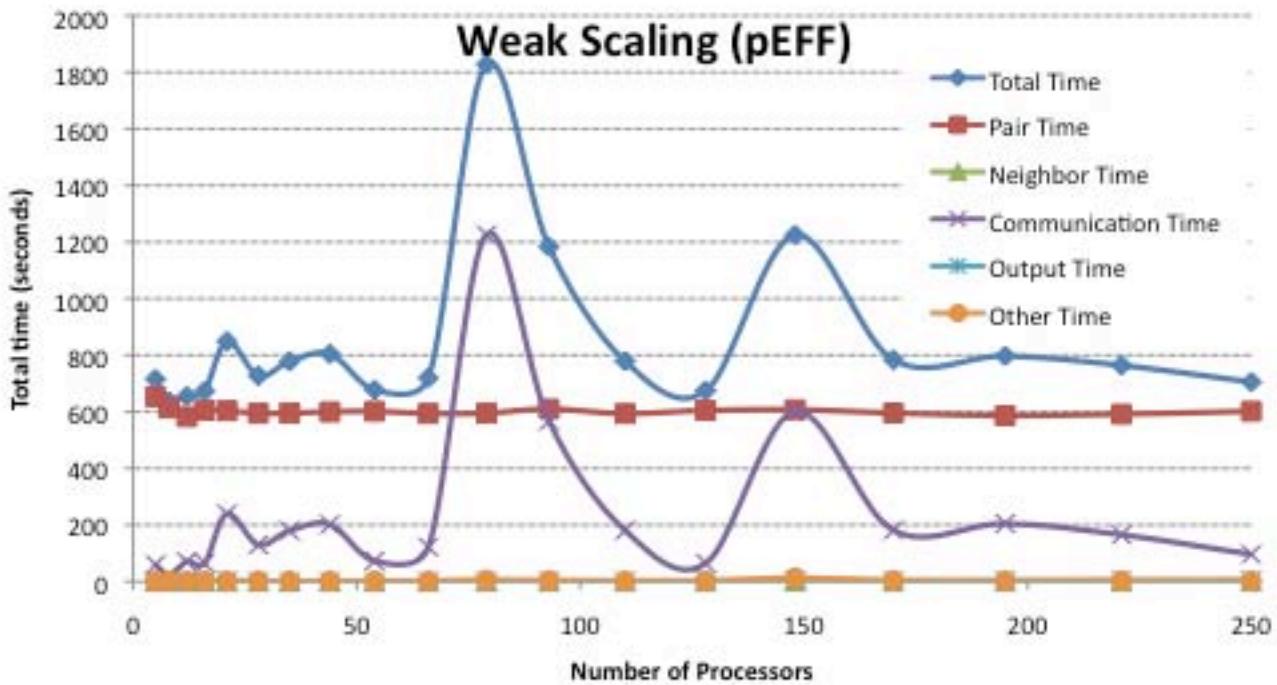
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## (Weak Scaling)

Over 1K steps of NVE

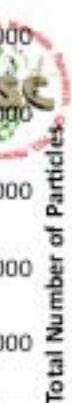
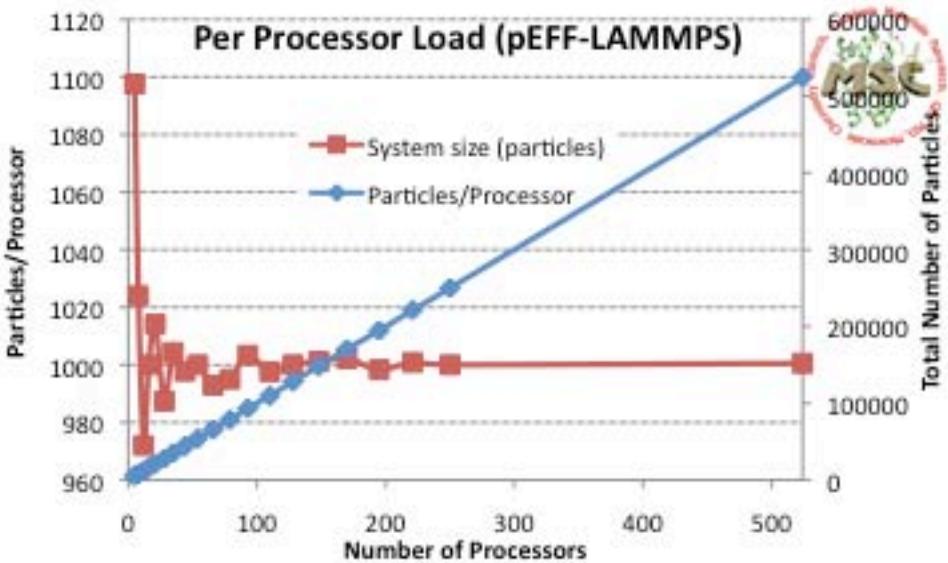


System: Li bulk



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# Current Work

- Core approximation and PP for higher Z atoms (Si)
- Floating Elliptical Gaussian wavefunctions (p-block)
- Electron correlation, Electron conductivity, E levels
- Long-range electrostatics (Ewald)
- New 'fix'es and computes (as needed)

$\text{Si}^{4+}$  core  $\sim \text{Ne}$   
**frozen rigid body**

	SiH <sub>4</sub>	Si <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	
	Si-H bond	Si-Si bond	Si-H bond
frozen core	1.47	2.32	1.45
pseudopotential	1.48	2.33	1.49
full eFF	1.48	2.40	1.47
experimental	1.48	2.32	1.47

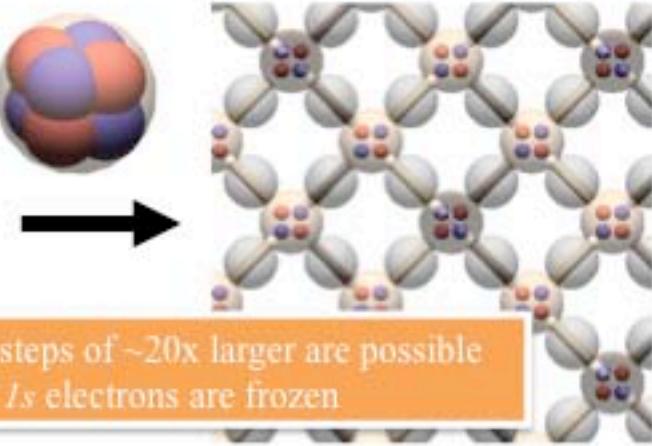


Table 1. Bond length of SiH<sub>4</sub> and Si<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>

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